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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Plans)  
Inspector General

REFERENCE : a. [ ] dated 26 May 1955  
b. Memo from DCI to IG, DD/P, DD/I, and DD/S  
dtd 7 March 1955

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SUBJECT : Information or Allegations Concerning Criminal  
Acts on the Part of Agency Personnel

1. Reference a. is a regulation relating to overseas inspections by the Inspection and Review Staff of DD/P. In paragraph 4b. it is provided that when evidence is discovered of possible acts of non-feasance, misfeasance, or malfeasance, the matter shall be immediately referred to the Director of Central Intelligence, the Inspector General, and the Deputy Director (Plans).

2. Reference b. concerns the subject of information or allegations concerning criminal acts on the part of Agency personnel. That memorandum indicates the necessity of immediate consideration of the question of disclosure to the Department of Justice of information or allegations concerning the violation of criminal law. The Director in his memorandum then provides that any information, allegation, or complaint relating to crimes involving Agency officers, employees, consultants, or agents should be reported immediately upon receipt to the General Counsel with a copy to the Inspector General. The responsibility is placed on the General Counsel for obtaining concerted Agency action on each case and for making recommendations to the DCI on Agency action in relation to the Department of Justice.

3. When read separately, the referenced documents might appear to lead to a conflict of assignments of responsibility or procedures for handling possible violations of criminal law. However, if the documents are read in conjunction with one another with appropriate consideration for the responsibilities placed on Agency officials, there is no real conflict. Since the instructions are not, therefore, inconsistent and since the Director in his 7 March memorandum on Criminal Violations stated he did not consider this matter appropriate for Agency regulation,

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it appears that there is no necessity to revise the regulation to reflect the contents of the Director's memorandum. Please let me know if you have any questions or see any difficulties in this connection.

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LAWRENCE R. HOUSTON  
General Counsel

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